RAJYASEVAPRAVINA G. PARAMESWARAN PILLAI: The number of college students admitted is 22. A statement* showing the respective classes in which they study is laid on the table.

Land at Neendakara for military purposes.

171. * **Mr. R. MADHAVAN NAIR** (*Karunagapalli* cum *Kartikapalli*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether any land has been acquired at Neendakara for military purposes;

(*b*) the date of such acquisition; and

(*c*) whether any compensation has been awarded and paid to the owners?

RAJYASEVAPRAVINA G. PARAMESWARAN PILLAI: (*a*) to (*c*) It is not in the public interest to disclose information regarding acquisition of land for military purposes.

MR. R. MADHAVAN NAIR: ഈ കാര്യം മുമ്പുകാര്യം സംബന്ധിച്ചായതുകൊണ്ട് മറുപടി താൻ സായിക്കുകയില്ലെന്നാണ് പറഞ്ഞിരിക്കുന്നത്. എന്നാൽ അങ്ങനെ ഭൂമി എടുത്തിട്ടുള്ള ആളുകൾക്ക് ഇതു നിമിത്തം കൂടുതൽ കൊടുത്തുവെന്നുള്ള വിവരം അറിയാമോ?

RAJYASEVAPRAVINA G. PARAMESWARAN PILLAI: അതിനെ വേണ്ട നടപടികൾ നടന്നിവരുന്നുണ്ട്.

Paddy cultivation.

172. * **Mr. K. R. NARAYANAN** (*Nominated*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) generally whether there is any possibility in Travancore for extending the acreage of paddy cultivation by reclaiming the shallow places near the shores of backwaters;

(*b*) if so, the acreage that could thus be reclaimed; and

(*c*) the probable amount required therefor?

Mr. K. SUBRAMONIA PILLAI (*Director of Agriculture*): (*a*) & (*b*) The whole matter is under the consideration of the Post-war Reconstruction Committee.

(*c*) Provision has been made in the Budget for 1120 for investigating the matter.

Mr. V. GANGADHARAN NAIR (*Quilon* cum *Kottarakara*): May I know the names of the members of the Committee?

Mr. K. SUBRAMONIA PILLAI: The Chief Engineer, the Director of Industries, The Director of Agriculture, the Electrical Engineer and Messrs. Baker and S. Krishna Aiyar.

Production of food crops.

173. * **Mr. K. A. MATHEW** (*Tiruvalla*): Will the Government be pleased to state what special measures they have taken in Tiruvalla taluk to stimulate production of food crops, especially paddy, in view of the situation that the paddy at present grown in that taluk is barely enough to suffice for about 4½ months in the year?

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